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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper is herewith filed in response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed on April 21, 2005 for the above-captioned U.S. Patent Application. The Applicant has filed a Petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Please charge deposit account 09-0466 for the required fee.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.